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DVORAK CONCERT HALL



Photo by Rosalie Winard

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Temple Grandin, 65, strokes an animal. Grandin was diagnosed with autism while she was a teenager in 1950. Grandin will be speaking at 7 p.m. on Thursday in Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Grandin to inspire people with stories

Best-selling author to give speech about life with autism

By Samantha McDaniel
Daily Editor

Despite not talking until she was 3 years old and the belief that she would not grow up to be successful, Temple Grandin is one of the top animal-handling-machine designers in the world.

Grandin was diagnosed with autism in 1950, and she will be sharing her experiences, beliefs and advice at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The speech will be in the Dvorak Concert Hall with live streaming to the Doudna Lecture Hall, which are sold out. Streaming will also be available in the Black Box Theatre.

Gail Richard, the communication disorders and sciences department chairwoman, said Grandin has a Ph.D. in animal science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

“Grandin was born in an era where there were a lot of misconception about autism and what is was,” Richard said. “Her mother was very instrumental in giving her opportunities and keeping her in regular education.”

Richard said Grandin’s teachers, who recognized her talents, helped her build them.

“I think she had a lot of people who mentored her along the way,” Richard said.

Despite her shyness, Grandin travels and promotes autism awareness through her life story.

“She wants to make a difference,” Richard said. “She talks

about how she wants to know she has made a difference in the world.”

Richard said Grandin offers insight to the disorder that helps parents and professionals understand why some of the characteristics might be there and help those individuals reach their own potential.

“One of the questions she was asked once was if designing slaughter facilities was kind of contradictory,” Richard said. “Her answer was ‘no that if we do it in a humane way as opposed to a cruel way, then that is an improvement.’”

She said Grandin is one of the few people who design these facilities in an efficient and humane way.

Richard said to understand Grandin’s experiences, people need to understand what autism is.

“The term autism means ‘alone’ literally,” Richard said. “The primary characteristic of autism is that the individuals are in their own world or socially isolated, and they have difficulty relating to other people and the environment.”

Richard said another common characteristic is sensory overload, resulting in sensitivity to sights, sounds, smells and textures.

“Temple tells some great stories about some of her sensory overload,” Richard said. “She’ll talk about certain clothing that was very itchy and like sandpaper.”

Richard said this is why most people with autism will stay where they are comfortable.

“In their own world, they are very comfortable, but when they come out into our world, there is all this stimuli that hits them—sounds and smells, visuals,” Rich-

ard said. “That is when they get overwhelmed and when we start seeing all the behavior because they are trying to block out all the things that are disruptive to them.”

Richard said Grandin might talk about her job designing animal slaughterhouses.

The department of communication disorders and sciences will be showing “Temple Grandin” a film based on her life. The film will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Buzzard Hall Auditorium.

All the money from the speech will go to benefit the Autism Resource Center at Eastern.

This center is small, but Richard said she hopes to use the money to expand it so those around Charleston and surrounding areas will have a closer resource available.

The center will provide evaluation, consultation and education about autism.

Richard said Grandin wants people to know she is not cured of autism but has learned to moderate her actions.

Richard said autism is genetically coded so people are born with it and will die with it.

“When people imply that Temple is cured, she will say, ‘I am not cured. I continue to work very hard at this,’” Richard said.

Richard said Grandin is a great role model for autistic people.

“She wants other people to hear her story so that it’ll inspire them as a person with autism or a parent of a child with autism to not give up and buy into the stereotypes,” Richard said.

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COURT

Official trial date set for child porn case

Staff Report

A former Eastern employee’s trial date was set for December during a status hearing Monday at the Coles County Courthouse.

Eric Knuth, 50, a former Information Technology Services worker, is charged with displaying an image of child pornography on a university laptop in December 2008.

This is the 14th hearing in the case since Knuth was first brought in front of a judge in November 2010.

Judge James Glenn scheduled the jury trial for 9 a.m. on Dec. 11, and a pretrial hearing is scheduled at 11

a.m. for Nov. 5.

The record states that Knuth, “displayed on an Apple MacBook Air an image of two girls (Knuth) knew or reasonably should have known to be under the age of 18...depicting the unclothed genitals and partially developed breasts of the girls.”

If Knuth is found guilty of displaying child pornography, he could receive 4-15 years imprisonment, according to the record.

Defense attorney Ron Tulin represented Knuth during the hearing while Tom Bucher, assistant state’s attorney represented the state.

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Financial aid appeal requirements change

By Robyn Dexter
In-depth Editor

Students who are at risk of maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress under financial aid now have new requirements in the process.

Jerry Donna, the director of the Financial Aid Office, said financial-aid students who are at risk of losing their financial aid use a financial-aid appeal form where the student can appeal to the office for the re-instatement of their aid.

This process, which normally involves a form that is turned in, now requires the student to meet with an adviser who can offer suggestions of what to do next to develop a strategy to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress.

“Eastern is a part of the Title IV program, which enables us to get funds from the federal government,” Donna said. “The federal government never really had academic advisers get involved before to help the students develop a plan, but now it’s part of the process.”

The process for getting this change instated included revising policies for the financial aid appeal process, Donna said.

“The government wants to move students more consistently toward completion,” Donna said. “Rather than paying students to go to school for 10 years, they’d rather they be done in four or five.”

Other requirements include a minimum 2.0 GPA and 67 percent attempted coursework completion.

“This is something that I think has been needed for years, but it was just never required,” Donna said.

He said the standards have been changed nationwide and are all, for the most part, relatively uniform.

Donna said Eastern’s financial-aid program gets about 60 percent of its funding through federal-aid programs, so making the change to stay in compliance with Title IV was important to the school financially.

“We’re running about \$126 million through this office,” he said. “If we were to lose that Title IV eligibility, the students would lose a lot.”

One thing about the changes that proved to be different for the office was training the advisers to be there for the students in tough financial situations.

“Students will come in and go over the checklist of why they need to appeal with an adviser and then talk about why they have not met the guidelines for SAP,” Donna said.

The advisers will help the students figure out ways to get to 2.0 GPA or 67 percent completion, or both, depending on what is needed, Donna said.

Another addition for the advising sessions is the usage of online grade point average and completion-rate calculators, which will assist both the advisers and students in knowing exactly what is needed to reach their goal.

Four different training sessions have occurred for the new advisers, including sessions for the Student Success Center, TRiO, Student Support Services and Campus Advising Network.

Donna said department chairs and faculty were also present at the sessions.

“We don’t always get guidelines from the federal government that make sense, but this (addition) makes sense,” he said. “It helps people to connect with someone that can help them plan.”

Advisers now use a program called “rePORTAL” to quickly assess a student’s record and figure out the best way to help them.

“The work that has been involved to get this whole process changed including training advisers and changing our process internally was well worth the effort,” he said. “If even one student is helped by this process, isn’t it worth it?”

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CORRECTION

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The News regrets the error.

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DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER

Faculty members to perform recital

By Ava Nozicka
Staff Reporter

The first faculty recital of the semester will be on Tuesday with performances by two music professors.

Jeremy McBain and Katherine McBain, both music professors, will be performing a free recital in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The recital will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Dvorak Concert Hall.

The performance will include pieces by famous composers Michael Haydn, Eric Ewazen, Georges Enescu and Saverio Mercadante.

Jeremy McBain is a member of Eastern’s Faculty Brass Quintet and currently teaches music theory and general-education courses.

He has performed in symphonies including the Champaign-Urbana Symphony, Michigan Chamber Brass and the State Symphony Orchestra of Mexico.

“We’re opening with a double concerto by Haydn, which was originally for horn and trombone, but we trans-

scribed it for trumpet and horn,” Jeremy McBain said.

He said he and Katherine McBain have been a duo since 1993, when they first started playing together.

Although, Jeremy McBain plays several instruments, including the flugelhorn and piccolo, he will mainly be playing the C trumpet in the recital.

“We have a lot of brass in my family,” Jeremy McBain said. “I wanted to play brass or drums.”

He took up the cornet in sixth grade and also played in the school band.

Katherine McBain has performed in many orchestras and choirs, including the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra and Eastern Concert Choir.

She also has performed with groups such as the Prairie Ensemble, the Eastern Faculty Brass Quintet and the brass duo HeldenDuo.

“Jeremy and I have been performing for over 20 years, so we’re always looking for performance opportunities,” Katherine McBain said. “We have a good amount of repertoire, and we enjoy presenting it to students,

friends and community members.”

The recital will feature songs performed by the couple, as well as solo pieces.

“We wanted to do the recital early in the year before the student recitals,” Jeremy McBain said.

Katherine McBain will be performing Richard Strauss’ “2nd Horn Concerto in E-flat major.”

“It’s a wonderful representation of Strauss’ late works—highly chromatic, yet still firmly rooted in the Romantic Era,” Katherine McBain said.

She will be performing another solo piece called “Reflections for Horn Alone” by Douglas Hill, contemporary composer and horn professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

“It’s quite a thoughtful and hopefully thought-provoking piece,” Katherine McBain said. “The composer states that the piece programmatically depicts ‘reflecting upon memories of a lost relationship.’”

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BLOTTER

Campus crime

• At 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday, illegal possession of a weapon was reported to the University Police Department. This incident is under investigation.

• At 8:56 p.m. on Friday, Jarrett and Jamal Moore, both 18, were arrested on charges of possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia at Taylor Hall. They were released at 10:11 p.m. after posting 10 percent of a \$1,000 bond.

• At 12:17 a.m. on Saturday, use of a fraudulent driver’s license was reported at Weller Hall. This incident was referred to the State’s Attorney and the Office of Student Standards.

• At 3:01 a.m. on Sunday, James Layton, 22, was arrested at Greek Court on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and released at 3:56 a.m. after posting 10 percent of a \$1,000 bond.

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RELIGION

Alternate option of worship available

By Bob Galuski
Staff Reporter

On the second floor of the Cultural Center, there is a mosque for any person who wants to explore the Islamic faith.

Every Friday at approximately 1:30 p.m., the Muslim Student Association hosts worship services inside the mosque. There, both students and teachers come together to pray.

The mosque is located in one of the old rooms in the converted house of the Cultural Center. The room accommodates the needs of the worshipers by providing a prayer rug for worship.

Along with the prayer rug, there is a small stand for whoever is leading the prayer service to stand behind.

A bookcase on the back wall holds many Islamic holy texts, such as the Quran, which portions are read from during the services.

A sign hangs on the wall, reading: “Pray every prayer as if it’s the last prayer of your life,” and the students and teachers who come to the mosque services certainly express that sentiment.

Beginning with Salah, which is similar to an opening prayer, the worshipers were then taught about the importance of prayer in daily life, as well as the Five Pillars of Faith.

Ahmed Abou-Zaid, an economics professor, ran the service, and he discussed the benefits of prayer – spiritually, emotionally and physically – in the lives of the worshipers.

Each of the prayers has a specific purpose, especially the physicality of prayer, which includes the worshiper moving in two units: standing and sitting.

“If we pray five times a day, as we

are supposed to, then we are always moving, making sure our blood is constantly flowing,” Abou-Zaid said.

However, Abou-Zaid said he is not the only person who can run the services, and ideally the worship services should be student-driven.

Hasan Mavi, a kinesiology and sports studies professor, said since the service part of the Muslim Student Association, it should be students running the prayers, but with everyone’s class schedules it is easier for either him or Abou-Zaid to lead them.

“It is hard for everyone to come together at the same time every week,” Mavi said. “We all have class or work, but if this were an Islamic country you would see at the same time, five times a day, everyone stopping for prayer.”

Mavi said on average about eight to 10 people would come by on Friday for the service, as well as anywhere from four to five professors.

However, the Islamic population in Charleston is quite a bit higher, Mavi said.

“If you include everyone who comes to prayer, and then all their family, then I figure there’s about 40 to 45 Charleston Muslim residents,” Mavi said.

The mosque houses many different people of different countries, all for prayer. There are people from Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and Egypt, all first or second generation, who attend the service – all connected by what Mavi calls “the brotherhood of prayer.”

“When you come together every week for the common reason, it helps you socialize with other people,” Mavi said. “Now imagine how connected you would be if you had to pray with the same people five times every day.”

Mavi also said the mosque was

not just exclusively accessible to only Charleston residents and Eastern students.

“We have had travelers who look at our website, and if they are passing through on Friday around this time, they will stop by for our prayer service,” Mavi said.

Families are also welcome at the mosque services.

Mavi said he and Abou-Zaid have brought their children to worship at the Cultural Center, and they have even tried to utilize it as a “Sunday school” style learning experience for the children.

Despite being an Islamic-centered faith service, the Muslim Student Association encourages anyone who is interested to come by Fridays around 1:30 p.m. to try the experience of a different faith.

Mavi said it would be a great experience, even for those who are already a part of a different faith – it would just be a different perspective.

“Islam is very much like Judaism and Christianity. We all follow the same guidelines and principles, so it wouldn’t be too much of a change,” Mavi said. “We’re each just one piece of the same puzzle.”

Mavi said the mosque has been a part of the Cultural Center for at least five years, as it was there when he began his tenure at Eastern.

Mavi said he enjoys the services not only because of his faith, but because it is a good time for reflection.

“Islam means peace, and we try to teach that here, along with other values like respect,” Mavi said.

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Catch and release



MIRANDA PLOSS | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Josh Brown, a sophomore kinesiology and sports studies major, passes a football to a receiver during a pick-up game of two-hand tag football Monday in the South Quad. A group of students regularly meet in the South Quad to play football.

BALLROOM DANCE SOCIETY

Latin dance brings people together

By Samantha McDaniel
Daily Editor

One of Latin America’s oldest dances, the rumba, will be taught on Tuesday.

The Eastern Ballroom Dance Society will be teaching the international version of rumba at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the dance studio of the Student Recreation Center.

Rumba is a slower ballroom dance.

Lisa Perfors, the president of the Ballroom Dance Society, said the lesson will be given by Wilson Wang, the secretary of the Ballroom Dance Society.

She said she will be there to help demonstrate the steps with Wang.

Rumba has an international version and an American version.

“Wilson will be teaching the international style because that is what he knows,” Perfors said. “He is from China, and I believe he has taken a class or had lessons in Latin dances, so that is his specialty and what he is most comfortable with.”

Perfors said the versions are similar, with more hip motion in the Latino version.

Perfors said she wanted students to learn some common Latin American dances.

“Certainly, when people think of Latin American history, or at least what I think of, is associate it with music and dance,” Perfors said. “It’s its own style. We think of Latin dances and then the rest of the dances because it has more fluidity.”

Perfors said it is important to learn some of the dances that our parents danced to.

“I think as youngins, we lose that part of our culture,” Perfors said.

She said they thought these dances would fit in with the idea of Latin Heritage Month.

“It looks into a lot of the culture of Latin heritage, and since we are incorporating the history, that will link it even closer,” Perfors said. She said students often say they cannot dance.

Perfors said she likes teaching these dances because it is what she wants to do.

“It reminds me why I love teaching so much,” Perfors said. “Eventually, I’m going to have my own classroom and be teaching lessons and music.”

Perfors said she wanted to give everyone on the executive board the opportunity to teach a lesson that they liked.

“They all happened to pick ones that were for Latin American Heritage Month,” Perfors said.

Perfors said it is important to learn about Latin American heritage because there are many Latin Americans in the United States.

“It’s important for us to broaden our horizons and get part of our own culture through learning structured dances like ballroom,” Perfors said. “Latin dances specifically have a lot more culture and are part of the genres of ballroom dances.”

Perfors said she wants different students to come learn the dances so they can share the experience with others.

“It’s not just for Latin American students, it’s for everyone,” Perfors said. “It’s bringing people together to be a part of something one person knows and loves and for another to come to learn and love it too.”

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CAMPUS

Human resource day for business majors

By Sharita Harris
Staff Reporter

Eastern students are beginning the preparation of the second Human Resource Day on Wednesday.

Activities will be available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Lumpkin Hall.

Melody Wollan, a professor of human resource management, will be accompanied by James Griffin, adviser of TRiO; Tricia Rothermel, a human resource associate at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and Rick Enyard, the director of human resources.

“We do HR day as a part of career development for students and as a learning experience they can use,” Wollan said. “We want to provide students examples to help students in the job market.”

Students who are business majors will be invited to interact with professional business managers.

Rob Devall, a career agent/recruiter at Innovative Staffing Solutions and Carly McCrory, a marketing specialist at the Tuscola Economic Development will also be a part of Human Resource Day.

The event’s speakers include an Eastern alumni panel and professional business experts.

Wollan said students will have a chance to get inside experience on what human-resource careers have to offer outside of classroom lectures.

“For students that are majoring in management with a concentration in human resource management, it allows them to have networking opportunities with alumni,” Wollan said. “It is a one-day conference that invites back alumni, local managers and human-resource professionals.”

Wollan said her favorite segment of the event is the “From Classroom to My

Office: Surprises and Reality Checks” because it gives students a chance to ask real questions to business managers who were once students at Eastern.

Wollan said she is excited about the day because this year they have broadened the range of speakers who were invited to present.

“Last year, we relied heavily on Charleston and Mattoon speakers,” Wollan said. “This year, we have expanded and brought in people from different areas.”

Wollan said she is excited about the speakers’ ideas because they will be able to give students a clear understanding of the ins and outs of being in human-resource careers.

“The alumni panel will be speaking about their work life and how it is different from how they thought it would be in college and how it really is in the real world,” Wollan said.

Wollan said each person will have different experiences to talk about including daily activities as a manager.

“Enyard will be speaking to students about transitioning into a new job and what students can do to implement change within their companies,” Wollan said.

Wollan said many students find jobs with a human-resource concentration after graduation.

“Many students become HR specialists, HR recruiters, or they’ll become training and development specialists,” Wollan said. “Some students become HR generalists.”

Generalists run all human-resource functions, specifically for small and medium sized companies, such as running background checks during a company’s hiring process.

Wollan said the speakers have brought

Event Schedule

- 9:30 a.m.- Registration, coffee mixer
- 10 a.m.-“HR Field Break In” Donna Rogers, M.E.D., SPHR, state director of IL SHRM, owner, Rogers HR Consulting
- 11:45 a.m.-Professional lunch, speaker
- 2 p.m.-“The First 90 Days--Leading in a Culture of Change” Rick Enyard, Eastern HR director
- 3 p.m.-“From Classroom to my Office”“Surprises and Reality Check” (Alumni Panel)

an interesting mix of new ideas that they will teach students for the day.

Donna Rogers, state director of the Illinois State Council of the Society for Human Resource Management, will also be speaking.

“Rogers is talking about what’s happening in the state of Illinois in terms of HR practices, hiring trends and laws that affect employment.”

Wollan said she wants students to walk away with the motivation to be involved in the human-resource field.

“I hope that each of our students that attend the event walk away with three business cards of employers that can mentor them and walk them through the steps of becoming a great HR representative.”

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Illegal immigration: a complicated issue without easy solution

The issues involved in illegal immigration aren't black and white and when our staff discussed them we felt uncomfortable issuing a blanket statement that would generalize things.

In fact many on the editorial board at *The Daily Eastern News* feel torn on this issue. On the one hand we support the humanist side of the issue. We find it difficult to deny the land of opportunity we often take for granted to someone just because they were born on the wrong side of a line. We also don't want to see children who have only known America deported just because of their parents decisions.

But we also understand the Mexico-United States border needs more security and more regulations. Our concern is less about the inflow of illegal immigrants looking to make new lives for themselves, but instead we are concerned with the violent factions of the drug cartels.

There's plenty of evidence of the cartels' ruthlessness and in their efforts to deal in our country

they are bringing that violence here.

Though the Mexican government and our own border patrol do what they can we would like to see our federal government give them more support and something more to fight with.

While these two issues are both tied to U.S. immigration policy, they are two separate discussions in our minds.

We do not wish to see the cartels stopped because they are people who aren't allowed to enter our country without our permission. We want them stopped because in their effort to build an empire they spread death, fear and pain. This is not acceptable.

We see no problem with President Obama's DREAM Act. It gives thousands of illegal immigrants a chance to become American citizens as long as they meet certain criteria such as coming to the U.S. before they turned 16 and having a clean criminal record.

These people may have not been born as

Americans but in most cases America has become their home. It's easy for natural-born citizens to say they have not earned their place here but it's only by chance that the situation isn't reversed.

Even if these immigrants hadn't been paying taxes they will be after they become citizens.

But what's more important is that no matter where they were born these people are still humans and are worthy of not just our respect but our empathy. We should not look down upon them and look for ways to make their lives worse, but should instead look where we can to help them at every opportunity. This is something we should do with everyone.

America is not only the land of opportunity, it is a nation founded by immigrants. It's easy to say a group or an individual does not belong here, but it's likely that someone had to give your family a chance in order for them to live here.

There's nothing wrong with passing along the favor.

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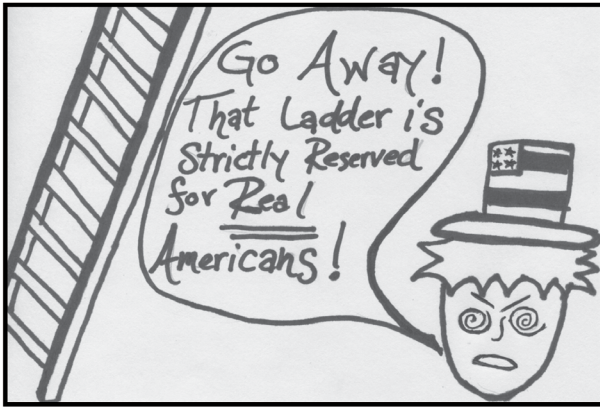
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COLUMN

Obama's DREAM step forward for humanizing immigration



In an interview earlier this week, President Obama described his lack of immigration reform as his "biggest failure so far."

Yet again, I find myself agreeing with the President—three and a half years ago, Sen. Obama promised this country a comprehensive and effective immigration reform, and three and a half years later, not much has changed.

Three years later, illegal immigrants still flood our borders. By most measures, President Obama has failed in reforming immigration. However, while President Obama has yet to deliver in full on his campaign promises, he has implemented drastically beneficial changes to our immigration policies.

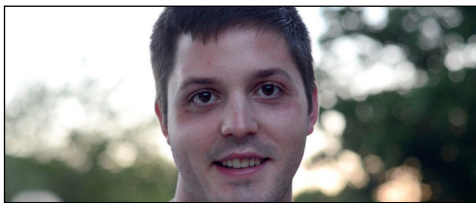
Through executive order this summer, President Obama signed into legislation the DREAM Act, allowing roughly 800,000 illegal immigrants to remain in the United States, provided they came here before they were 16 years old, have no previous criminal history, and are enrolled in/have completed high school or are serving in the military.

Upon signing the bill, the President received two main criticisms, both unwarranted, and both repudiated fairly easily;

Claim #1: "The President is soft on illegal immigrants." False—under the Obama administration, there have been more monthly deportations than any other point in U.S. history. This is fairly common knowledge.

Claim #2: "Deferred deportation/amnesty was simply a way of appealing to Latino voters." Also false—in reality, Obama's DREAM Act does little towards his favorability among Latinos, or at least their effect at the polls. By virtually all projections, this election will be decided by eight swing states. In 2008, Latinos accounted for a meager three percent average of polling in those states. Of that three percent, one-third voted for John McCain.

So, if both of the aforementioned claims are proven fallacies, then the true ramifications of The DREAM Act should be examined for their true, humanist nature. Through his pen, Obama allowed almost one million people to remain in the only country they've ever truly known and loved.



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Because of Barack Obama, a college student in Arizona, brought here at five years-old, pledging allegiance to our flag, abiding by the great laws of our constitution and advancing the socio-political interests of our nation, is able to continue in her pursuit of knowledge, to live not in fear, but in ambition, and to one day give back to the same country who spared her unjust and unfair punishment.

And that, by all measures, is the American dream, defined.

Then there's Mitt Romney, the often portrayed "flip flopper." While he has changed his positions on immigration numerous times over the last decade alone, his recent consistency has been very commendable. Even before receiving the Republican National Convention nomination earlier this month, Romney has consistently slammed President Obama's immigration policies without regard for fact, consistently offended the average American (or at least 47 percent of us), and consistently refused to offer any real solutions to America's problems. Baby steps, Mitt, baby steps.

The difference between Mitt Romney and Barack Obama is their individual perceptions of illegal immigrants. The former favors complicating the lives of immigrants to encourage "self-deportation" from this country. The latter has already improved the lives of almost one million immigrants, and has proven dedicated to the plight of the common man, legal citizen or not.

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COLUMN

Immigration issue not entirely about undocumented workers



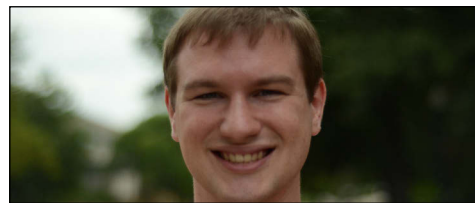
The American Dream should be available to anyone and achievable for all who are Americans. One responsibility that comes with that dream, however, is that one respects the laws of the nation as the ruling standard for legal conduct.

This applies to both American citizens and foreign nationals within our borders, and the presumption would go that these laws are applied when necessary by the government. Sadly, however, this is not always the case, as shown by the ongoing debate over reforming our immigration system that is necessitated by the continued stream of illegal border crossings that occur every year.

Granted, President Obama has taken some action on this issue. But "some" is the key word. To date, Obama's major "accomplishment" on reforming immigration has been to sign an executive order that prevents the deportation of young undocumented workers. This effectively moves what parts of the vaunted DREAM Act that Obama could legally act upon into place as if it were the sole problem that requires his attention.

The emotional arguments for allowing illegals to remain in the United States are debatable and at the same time understandable. Anchor babies in particular create a problem that is not easily solved. Normally because a larger extended family accompanies the baby's presence on U.S. soil. In addition, some of the undocumented workers Obama chose to give protection to probably crossed the border illegally with their families at an age where they would not have much knowledge about the legality of their actions.

However, as shown by the increased violence in Mexico over the last several years and the Fast and Furious gunrunning scandal, America's illegal immigration problem has quickly turned into a localized national security threat. Drug trafficking and other criminal activities perpetuated by Mexican drug cartels are the main causes behind these events, which has led to numer-



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ous incidents of execution-style murders and violence on both sides of the border.

Given these issues, the focus of any future immigration reform efforts must begin with a focus on—if you will forgive the overused phrase—securing our borders.

Texas provides one example of this issue with their state law enforcement's purchase of six armored gunboats this year to combat Mexican drug traffickers. According to a CBS Nightly News report, Mexican drug runners being pursued by Texas police have been driving their vehicles into the Rio Grande. There they and their load of illicit drugs are picked up by boats from Mexico in order to prevent losing a profit. Hopefully none of them receive any work permits per President Obama's executive order.

I could cite dozens of statistics in regards to the other problems surrounding illegal immigration. But cartel-incited crimes should be enough of a reason to shift our solitary focus on the presence of illegal immigrants and undocumented workers to the security of our borders.

If our state governments have to form their own miniature navy to stop drug trafficking crime, let alone pass laws defining the abilities of law enforcement to detain illegals, as was the case with Arizona, could anyone say the federal government is doing enough to halt illegal border crossings? I think the victims of cross-border violence would say "No."

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UNIVERSITY BOARD

Speaker talks about college experiences

By Shirmeen Ahmad
Staff Reporter

A 25-year-old motivational speaker came to Eastern Monday to share her story about her alcohol addiction in college.

Motivational speaker Julia Garcia stood in front of about 100 students during the University Board lecture titled “Sex, Drugs, Alcohol and Everything in Between.”

She shared her problems with her college alcohol addiction in a poem she started the program off with.

During her freshman year, Garcia was at Phoenix College close to home.

She said she had tough family issues like her parents getting a violent divorce, her father going to prison and her mother becoming addicted to pain medication.

Garcia said this was a major reason why she got into drinking at parties and got used to numbing out the pain.

“I had more drinking buddies than I knew what to do with,” Garcia said.

By the end of her freshman year, she said she had already been sexually assaulted because of her addiction and her lack of control in an alcohol state.

The next year, she moved to the New York Institute of Technology

to get away from her troubled home life.

At 20, she was put into rehab when her soccer coach and the school figured out she had a problem.

Garcia said she was embarrassed and did not share that with anyone other than her coaches.

“Even though rehab helped, it didn’t fix everything, so I moved back home and worked on the relationships with my family,” Garcia said. “Now I don’t do anything without talking to them first.”

Garcia said she hopes students will take the information she gave them and use them to make decisions.

“All I can do is hope I planted the seed, but I don’t want to make anyone do anything,” she said.

Garcia incorporated several polls that students could get involved in by using their cell phones and texting in their answers.

Some of the questions ranged from the number of drinks audience members consumed in one sitting, to if they know someone who has been sexually assaulted. Another poll asked for the names of loved ones that they have lost.

Students were also encouraged to interact with one another.

During the presentation, Garcia displayed photos and asked the audience to state if the pictures were “Classy or Trashy.”

The photos were mostly of people who were drunk, passed out or doing inappropriate things.

The audience also shared about themselves by standing up if a question Garcia asked pertained to them.

Students would stand and look around to see that they were not alone.

Garcia wrote the book titled “Somewhere in Between” and made the website “Truality” to share her experiences.

Melanie Kaderabek, the UB lecture coordinator, said Garcia brought high energy to the crowd.

“The audience loved her—you could tell by the involvement,” Kaderabek said.

Kaderabek said she has a family member in rehab and has personally taken an oath to stay sober.

She said she would like more people to follow the words of Garcia.

“There’s no point in partying if you don’t remember it,” Kaderabek said.

Garcia, who has now been sober for a year and seven months, left the students with one quote.

“In college, you can lose yourself or find yourself,” she said.

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REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION

RSO re-registration deadline approaches

Students encouraged to talk in order to avoid conflicts

By Maybellean Rienbolt
Staff Reporter

Sept. 30 marks the yearly deadline for registered student organizations to reregister.

Ceci Brinker, the director of the Student Life Office, said it is important for student organizations to reregister.

“It is an annual deadline so they can have the most up to date schedule (for the RSOs on campus),” Brinker said.

Organizations who have met the requirements must have their constitution updated as well as other procedures.

Groups can still register after the deadline, but they will take the risk of the cancelation of reservations by the scheduling office.

Registration must be completed in order for organizations to host events.

There is no priority when it comes to scheduling, but Brinker said they encourage organization members to talk to one another about the events that they want to host to avoid scheduling conflicts.

Jenna Mitchell, the student vice president for student affairs, there are more than 200 religious, political, Greek, academic, social and athletic registered student organizations on

campus.

Brinker said there are various clubs on campus that have meetings without registering, but it is not recommended.

She said the office would like to monitor what is taking place on campus because the students are representing the university when they host events.

Any organization member can come into the Student Life Office on the third floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and fill out the paperwork required to reregister.

Brinker said students can also fill out paperwork to start their own organizations by getting at least 10 members and a faculty adviser.

Students must submit an electric copy of their constitution and, if possible, their by-laws, their advisor information, executive board information and the names of at least 10 active members.

The template is available on the Student Life Office website.

If an organization passes through the application process, the Student Senate votes on its approval.

Mitchell said the process might take a few weeks.

“The typical process is two weeks, however it can take longer if the director of Student Life has corrections for the applicants to make,” Mitchell said.

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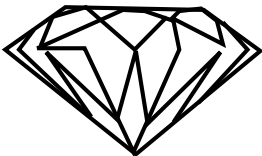


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STAT ATTACK

Stat Attack is a weekly feature that highlights key statistics of recent sporting events. This week we feature the weekend's men's soccer, football, women's soccer and volleyball events.

MEN'S SOCCER

The men's soccer team is averaging **two goals a game** this season. They have scored a total of 18 goals in nine games. Sophomore Tayron Martin, senior Jordan Collins and red-shirt sophomore Chris Boswell are tied for the team lead with two goals each.

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FOOTBALL

Red-shirt junior wide receiver Erik Lora set an Ohio Valley Conference and Eastern record with **21 catches** against Murray State on Saturday. His 21 catches broke an OVC record that stood for 43 years. He also had 269 yards and three touchdowns in the win.

FOOTBALL

The Racers and the Panthers combined to run **210 plays** on Saturday. The 210 plays broke the FCS record for plays in a game. Murray State also set an Ohio Valley Conference record by running 110 plays.

210



VOLLEYBALL

Freshman setter Abby Saalfrank started Ohio Valley Conference play on a good note, recording two triple-doubles over the weekend against Southeast Missouri and Tennessee-Martin. She now has **four triple-doubles** in her career.

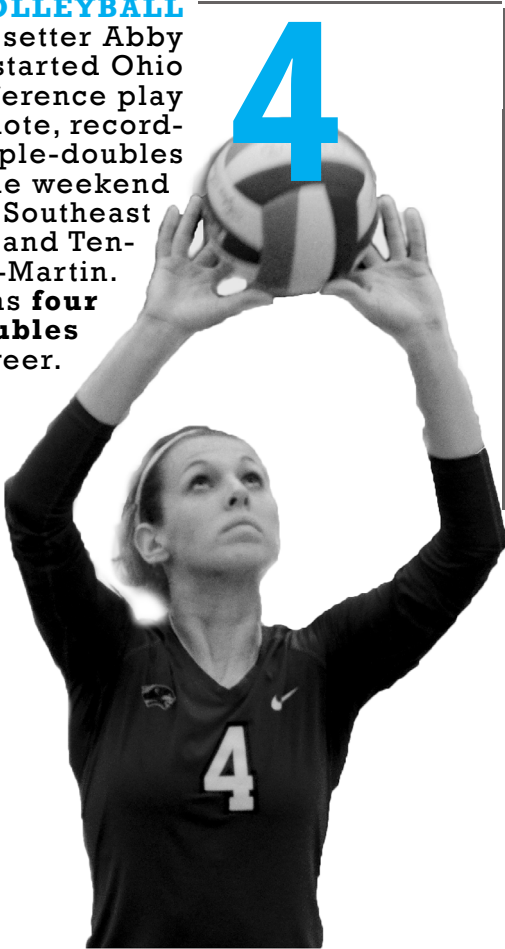
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

The women's soccer team has been shut out in each of its last **four games**. During this streak, they have lost to Northern Illinois, Butler, Drake and Southern Illinois-Edwardsville. They have not scored a goal since Sept. 7.



TENNIS

Coach ready to improve team's record

By Aldo Soto
Staff Reporter

Men's head tennis coach John Blackburn is looking forward to improving the team's 4-13 record from a year ago.

Blackburn said the team will be better this year because of the depth on the roster with five returning players including two seniors.

Coach Blackburn said he is looking for seniors Warren Race and Michael Sperry to lead the team this year.

The Eastern men's tennis team competed at the Raider Shootout at Wright State in Dayton, Ohio over the weekend.

Junior Kevin Bauman teamed up with Sperry in the A Flight Doubles.

The duo lost their first match 8-6, and also lost by the same score in their second match.

Sperry said he has worked hard during the summer to improve his speed and endurance.

"I did uphill sprints and tennis court suicides every day after practice over the summer time," he said.

Sperry lost his first round match in the A Flight Singles, but bounced back to record three wins in the backdraw en route to capturing the consolation championship.

Hayden Joblin and Jamison Clark from Wright State won the A Flight Doubles final defeating their opponents from Vincennes 8-6.

The B and C Flight Doubles players for Eastern were able to reach the finals of their competitions.

Freshman Robert Skolik and Race won the B Flight Doubles final over Jose Limon and Juan Andres Hirnas from Robert Morris 8-4.

Race has now won the finals of the B Flight Doubles at this tournament in two consecutive years.

Race said he learned from watching other players and from the different styles they have.

"I think this was a good starting point for our team," Race said. "We can learn from our mistakes and the different situations we were in to hopefully improve throughout the season."

The freshman Portuguese recruit, Rui Silva was paired up with sophomore David Constantinescu in the C Flight Doubles.

The pair lost in the finals 8-5.

The freshmen and sophomore duo said they were pleased with their performance, but will work harder to improve in their next match.

Northern Kentucky were also winners at the Raider shootout, as they won the D Flight Doubles, 8-1 over Walsh.

Northern Kentucky also won the A and B Flight Singles finals.

Vincennes won the C Flight Singles over Northwestern Ohio.

The Racers also reached the D Flight Singles final match, but lost to Ohio Dominican 6-2, 6-1.

Constantinescu, Skolik and Race all recorded two wins in singles play.

Coach Blackburn said he saw improvement in the team as the weekend passed.

"I felt the freshmen as a group played well," Blackburn said. "We are always looking to improve from one match to the next and we did."

Blackburn also highlighted the performances of Silva during the doubles matches, and said he was impressed with Skolik and Race as they were able to reach the semifinals of their singles matches.

With four new players to the team, Sperry said he hopes the team can build some chemistry early on.

"We try to and do as much as possible together as a team," Sperry said. "It is important to build unity amongst our team."

The senior said he expects the team to peak for the spring season.

Race, the other returning senior, said he felt the tournament served as a great experience for the freshmen.

Blackburn said he expects for every individual to improve as the season progresses.

"I expect for us to improve after every competition, just the way we did during this weekend," Blackburn said.

Eastern will return to action when it hosts Missouri-St. Louis at 2 p.m. Oct. 3 at Darling Courts.

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VOLLEYBALL



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Kelsey Brooke, a red-shirt sophomore outside hitter, celebrates after a volley in Friday's game against Southeast Missouri. The Panthers play Southern Illinois-Edwardsville Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Third match awaits team

By Anthony Catezone
Assistant Sports Editor

The Eastern volleyball team will head to Southern Illinois-Edwardsville for its third conference match in five days.

The Panthers (3-11) will take on the Cougars (5-8) at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Panthers are coming off a 0-2 performance in their home and Ohio Valley Conference openers over the weekend, falling in four sets to both Southeast Missouri (25-19, 16-25, 21-25, 21-25) on Friday and Tennessee-Martin (25-20, 22-25, 20-25, 21-25) on Saturday.

A twelve-to-one run in the second set had the Skyhawks never looking back in the match.

Both matches also saw Eastern come out strong, taking the first set, but the Panthers lost momentum and eventually faltered, losing the following three sets.

The Panthers expect different re-

sults in Edwardsville.

"The mindset in all of us is we want to win right now," senior captain Alison Berens said. "We're really hungry for a win, we're sick of losing and we want to make Eastern proud of us, so we're really looking to stay strong all match and get that win."

The Cougars are 1-1 in conference play.

They have played the same two OVC teams as Eastern in Tennessee-Martin and Southeast Missouri. The Cougars defeated Tennessee-Martin in straight sets (25-23, 25-20, 25-10).

However, fell to Southeast Missouri in four sets (22-25, 25-22, 25-19, 25-21).

The Panthers and Cougars split the two matches they played last season.

Eastern took the first at home in a five-set thriller, fighting back after losing the first two sets (14-25, 18-25, 25-22, 25-18, 15-12).

However, in the second match, in Edwardsville, the Cougars were able to down the Panthers in a straight set victory (22-25, 15-25, 22-25).

The Panthers want to focus on themselves during the match as opposed to worrying about what they can't control.

Berens said that if they can do that, the Panthers will record their first conference win of the season.

"I think we really just need to focus on our side, and make sure we're not committing the errors that we normally do," Berens said. "That is usually our down fall in all of the games that we have lost in."

Following its match against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Eastern will have five days off before hitting the road again for a battle with Tennessee Tech at noon on Sunday in Nashville.

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CLUB

Hockey hits bump on recent road trip

By Dominic Renzetti
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After putting up 40 goals in two games in blowout wins over the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the Eastern club hockey team hit a bump on its two game road trip to St. Louis this past weekend, falling 8-5 and 4-1.

Despite the score, junior forward Andrew Maronich said the game was closer than indicated on the scoreboard.

"We played with them the whole game, we shot ourselves in the foot by taking a few to many dumb penalties," he said. "A lot like the first game, the (second) game was a lot closer than the score indicated. I really thought we outplayed them in the first and third periods."

In the second game, St. Louis scored two goals in two minutes, which Maronich said was a turning point in the game.

"We fired more shots on net than they did in the second game, but we were having trouble putting it behind their goalie," he said. "Once again (senior goalie) Andrew Teske played a great game, and deserved a win, we all were pretty bummed that we couldn't get him one."

Maronich said the team needs to re-

group defensively in preparation for its next series against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville.

"We need to really focus on the defensive zone in practice this week, we were running around way to often in the defensive zone which led to a few goals for SLU," he said.

Maronich also stressed staying out of the penalty box and converting on the power plays.

"We had a good amount of chances on the Power Play but only scored on it a couple times all weekend," he said. "In order for us to put more pucks in the net we need to capitalize when we have the man advantage."

Overall, Maronich called this weekend's series a reality check for the team, now 2-2 on the season.

"I thought that this weekend was a good reality check," he said. "We know what we have to work on, and on the flip side, we know what we did well."

The team will hit the road again this weekend, taking on Southern Illinois-Edwardsville at 6:30 p.m. Friday and 8:45 a.m. Saturday at the East Alton Ice Arena in East Alton.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Panthers stack up with conference foes

By Alex McNamee
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Two Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis players earned All-Summit League honors this week after their performances against the Eastern men's soccer team Saturday.

Kyle Hyland scored two goals against the Panthers to add to his game-winner against Valparaiso earlier in the week. He attempted a career-high 10 shots, leading all players in the game.

Hyland had won the Summit League offensive player of the week twice this season, the first time being Sept. 4.

IUPUI goalkeeper Eduardo Cortes earned his third defensive player of the week honor after giving up only one goal in two games against Valparaiso and Eastern.

Cortes also won the award Aug. 27 and Sept. 10.

Weekend results

IUPUI, Oakland and Missouri-Kansas City picked up wins in conference play this weekend. The three teams share the lead at the top of the Summit League with a 1-0 conference record.

Oakland recorded the biggest win of the weekend with a 5-0 victory over Oral Roberts on the road.

Oakland midfielder Miche'Le Lipari led the team in the game with two goals.

Jeff Cheslik, Johnny Dreshaj and Gavin Hoy scored the remaining three goals by Oakland.

Missouri-Kansas City won in overtime against Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne, 2-1.

Kansas City's Jordan Rideout scored eight minutes into the sudden-death overtime.

Omaha and Western Illinois tied in an overtime game, 1-1.

Standings glance

Western Illinois and Omaha are in

the middle of the conference standings after tying each other in their game this weekend.

Eastern, Oral Roberts and Fort Wayne round out the bottom of the standings. Eastern's overall record is 2-7, while Oral Roberts is 1-7 and Fort Wayne is winless.

Upcoming games

Conference teams will not be playing Summit League games until this weekend, but a few of them will play mid-week games.

IUPUI is back on the road against Western Michigan on Tuesday, while Western Illinois and Fort Wayne are at home against Northern Kentucky and Kentucky, respectively.

Fort Wayne is still looking for its first win this season.

On Wednesday, Oakland and Kansas City are in action.

Duquesne will travel to Oakland for a game at 6 p.m. Wednesday, while Kansas City plays host to Central Arkansas.

Eastern played Central Arkansas earlier this season in an overtime loss.

Panthers surrendering goals

Eastern has given up 18 goals this season, while only scoring 10 goals.

Ten of the opponents 18 goals this season have come in the first half of games against the Panthers, while Eastern has only scored four first half goals.

In all of the Panthers' losses this season, they've had to try to come from behind. In one game, they scored first, but surrendered four consecutive goals after their opening goal. In that game, Dayton won, 4-1.

The Panthers are back on the field Sunday at 1 p.m. against Missouri-Kansas City at Lakeside Field.

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